2014 Profile

# North Carolina Farmworker Health Program

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### Overview

The North Carolina Farmworker Health Program (NCFHP) is primarily federally funded and administered by the Office of Rural Health and Community Care (ORHCC) for migrant and seasonal farmworkers.

- NCFHP supports health centers and other agencies to increase access to health care services for farmworkers and their families.
- Services include outreach to identify and connect farmworkers with needed health services, health education, case management, dental and medical services.
- NCFHP participates in the 340B Drug Pricing Program, where eligible patients can receive discounted medications.

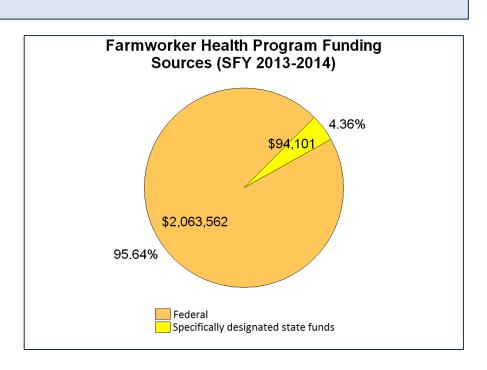
### **Importance**

- Agriculture is a \$70 billion a year industry in North Carolina and is dependent on a healthy workforce.
- Agriculture is one of the most dangerous occupations in the United States, posing numerous occupational health risks.
- Farmworker populations are traditionally underserved because of barriers to care, including transportation, language, cost and isolation.

## **Cost, Savings and Program Monitoring**

- The program is primarily federally-funded (see figure below).
- The program provided outreach, medical and/or dental services to over 6,781 patients.
- The average cost per patient is \$280.
- The Farmworker Health Program tracks two critical health issues in the population it serves:
  - O Diabetic patients: 34% of patients with diabetes had an HbA1c>9 (lower is better).
  - **Hypertension patients:** 26% of patients with hypertension had a blood pressure > 140/90 (lower is better).

Technical Assistance: Supporting safety net infrastructure in vulnerable communities:	
Clinic/Staff Assistance	12 encounters
Community Development/Assistance	38 encounters
Contract Development/Assistance	25 encounters
Site Development/Assistance	246 encounters
Software Assistance/Support	3 encounters
Support Recruitment and Retention	9 encounters
Training Sessions	3 encounters



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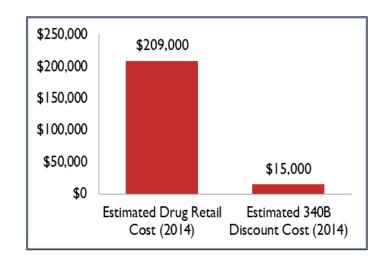
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## **340B Drug Pricing Program Savings**

- State funds support the administration of the 340B drug pricing program.
- The 340B Drug Pricing Program has saved approximately \$194,340 during SFY 2014.
- The 340B program provided 2,691 prescriptions to 556 patients.



### **Program Coverage**

#### In SFY 2014 NCFHP:

- Served 45 counties.
- · Contracted with 11 service sites for services plus 4 additional contracts to support services at services sites.
- Supported 33 FTEs in local communities.



# If you have further questions, please contact:

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